

Help for Haiti

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The devastating earthquake disaster in Haiti is an urgent call for Help!

At this writing the International Offices of the Church of God are trying to assess our own Church of God losses -- hardly any communication yet -- contact is very spotty.

The Church of God has a very strong presence in Haiti. We are confident church buildings have been destroyed in Port-au-Prince and very likely many deaths of our own church families.

Pastor Dumarsais Steide (South Haitian Church of God, Chicago) heard from someone that his wife survived the earthquake but he has not spoken with her yet.

Operation Compassion went into action immediately!

Each month Operation Compassion sends more than *10 Containers* to Haiti with food, water, medical supplies, clothing and paper products.

IMMEDIATELY Operation Compassion began sending sleeping bags, tents, water, food, blankets and other essential survival supplies. Operation Compassion has a long-time and unique partnership with an agency, *Food For The Poor*, which is a Catholic Support Group and is of great value in expediting our aid through Customs.

As a reminder...funds contributed for this cause are used "solely" for support and relief. No amount of your offering is used for "administration" costs.



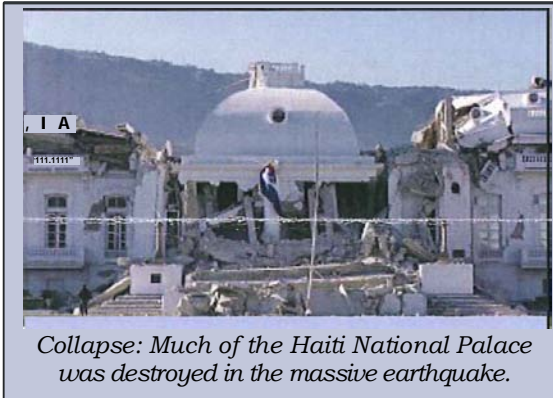
OK -- the purpose of this note is to appeal to you to respond with a generous gift of care and compassion for the people of Haiti.

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- If you are an individual who hurts for those people -- please give.
- If you are a Pastor or Church Leader -- solicit a response from your membership.

If you are associated with our ministry in any way and want to genuinely bless those who are so desperate now -- please send an offering.



Collapse: Much of the Haiti National Palace was destroyed in the massive earthquake.

An urgent appeal Response Form is enclosed.

Make any checks payable to *Church of God Great Lakes Region* -- designate for *Operation Compassion Appeal*. If you wish to mail an offering directly to Church of God World Missions to be placed into the budget for disaster relief for Haiti -- please designate for Project #7900505.

You can also make a gift online. Go to www.OperationCompassion.org. Click on "Ways to Help," then "Donation," then "Donations Online." Enter your donation information.

THANK YOU for whatever you can do in response to this plea for the people of Haiti.

Already one of the poorest countries in the Western world -- now Haiti is struck with massive devastation -- we must respond with great promptness.

Operation Compassion went into action promptly. Now your partnership and financial support to Operation Compassion is urgently needed.

Somebody in Haiti is praying for help.
God tugs at your heart.

I believe the Church of God family in the Great Lakes Region can bless these bewildered people,

M. Darrell Rice
Church of God/Great Lakes Region



First aid: Residents carry an injured man through the streets of Port-au-Prince.